

2nd Grade—Unit One

Unit One: Geography

Lesson Title: The Journey of Oliver K. Woodman

Short Term Goal:

Write a friendly letter. Develop map skills and become more familiar with landforms.

SLE's:

Social Studies

G.1.2.10 Understand the purpose of map components:

- Title
- Compass rose
- Legend/key
- Map scale

G.1.2.11 Describe the relative locations of places using cardinal directions (e.g. Arkansas is south of Missouri)

G.3.2.1 Identify the various types of transportation and communication links between communities

Core Curriculum Standards:

CC2R.1 Ask and answer such questions as who, what, why, and how to demonstrate understanding of key details in a text.

CC2.R.7 Use information gained from the illustrations and words in a print or digital text to demonstrate understanding of its characters, setting, and plot.

CC2.L.2b Use commas in greetings and closing of letters.

CC2.L.2a Capitalize holidays, product names, and geographic names.

CC2.W.2 Write informative/explanatory text

CC2.W.5 With guidance and support from adult and peers, focus on a topic and strengthen writing as needed by revisiting editing

Materials:

Smartboard lessons

- This Land is Your Land
- Friendly Letter
- Oliver K. Woodman

Oliver K. Woodman by Darcy Pattison

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Direct Explanation/Model Five Sessions

What:

We are going to participate in activities that will develop comprehension skills, develop skills that will enable students to write a friendly letter, and explore geographical concepts.

Why:

We will be able to link Literacy and Social Studies concepts by developing reading and writing skills and explaining geographical concepts related to the book *The Journey of Oliver K Woodman* by Darcy Pattison.

How:

We will read and discuss *The Journey of Oliver K. Woodman* by Darcy Pattison.

First Session:

Using the Smartboard lesson slide 1-6 guide, read and discuss *The Journey of Oliver K. Woodman* by Darcy Pattison.

Second Session:

Using Smartboard lesson slide 7 and friendly letter Smartboard writing lesson, students will develop skills to write a friendly letter.

Third Session:

Using Smartboard lesson slide 8-9, students and teachers will collaborate on a friendly letter that will be sent to a relative explaining the Oliver K. Woodman or writing a letter as Oliver Woodman telling about one of the places you visited.

Fourth Session:

Using Smartboard lesson slide 10-12 and This Land is Your Land Smartboard lesson, students will develop map skills and such concepts as cardinal directions, relative location, compass rose, etc.

Fifth Session:

After reviewing regions from previous session, have students predict what the various places on Oliver K. Woodman's journey looked like. Then show those places using Google map link.

Application:

Writing Assessment: Personal Narrative

Have the students write about a trip they have taken. Have them include information about how they got to their destination including what cities they traveled through. Have them include landforms that they saw on their trip.

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